109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 114

Expressing the sense of Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued by the United States Postal Service honoring Roy Campanella, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend the Postmaster General that such a stamp be issued.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 17, 2005

Mr. Rangel submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued by the United States Postal Service honoring Roy Campanella, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend the Postmaster General that such a stamp be issued.

Whereas Roy Campanella, nicknamed "Campy", was born on November 19, 1921, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and was the first African-American catcher in the history of major league baseball;

Whereas Roy Campanella, an expert handler of pitchers and a natural leader who played with the Brooklyn Dodgers from 1948 to 1957, won the National League's Most Valuable Player Award in 1951, 1953, and 1955, led National League catchers in putouts 6 times, hit 242 home runs during his major league career, and played in 5 World Series;

- Whereas Roy Campanella, whose 10-year career was ended by a tragic automobile accident in 1958, was later inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1969, garnering nearly 80 percent of the votes on ballots cast; and
- Whereas Roy Campanella died on June 26, 1993, in Woodland Hills, California, and was among the most elite and unique baseball players in the history of major league baseball: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that—
 - 3 (1) a commemorative postage stamp should be
 - 4 issued by the United States Postal Service honoring
 - 5 Roy Campanella; and
 - 6 (2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee
 - should recommend to the Postmaster General that
 - 8 such a stamp be issued.

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